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Sunday, November 10, 1968 -- 10:55 a.m.

Mr. President:

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It looks as though with no coalition and no recognition of the NLF as a separate entity -- points Thieu had all along -- he is ready to go.

At Tabs B-1 and B-2 are Ellsworth Bunker's proposed redrafting of our outgoing messages, Tabs C-1 and C-2.

Bui Diem has called the State Department Vietnam Desk officer (John Burke). He reported that he had spoken to Thieu about his conversation with Dirksen. He reported also, with the points about coalition and no separate entity assured, he believes Thieu will be ready to move to Paris after suitable statements are drafted. Bui Diem will be coming in to see Bundy this afternoon.

Bui Diem plans to return to Saigon shortly.

W. W. Rostow

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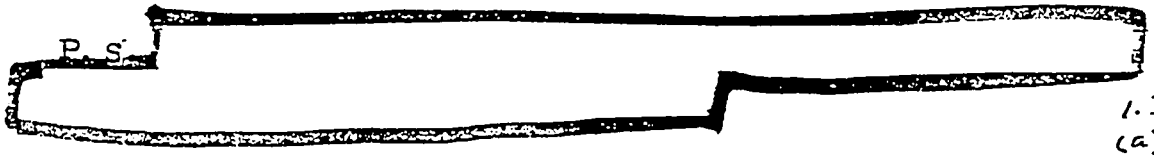

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